

HOOP POINTS

A Monthly Newsletter from Croquet SA

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ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

2015 PRESENTATION DAY

The annual presentation of medals and trophies

SATURDAY 12TH DECEMBER AT HUTT ROAD

Commencing 11am

C B Sharp event will be played

Presentations commence 11am with shared lunch afterwards.

Bring a plate and come along to this important event/social occasion.



MILLSWOOD CROQUET CLUB AC players have been running a series of sessions to encourage people to Give Croquet A Go: hit a ball; run a hoop. The first workshops were free as we publicised them through the Unley City Council's Every Generation Festival. Subsequent sessions are \$5. Club members distributed 6000 cards throughout the local area. About 40 people have now tried at least one introductory session. We are averaging a return each Sunday of 22 players.

We commenced with Aussie Croquet, moved on to Ricochet and have now begun introducing one croquet stroke per session still using the quick start at hoop one.

The interest and enthusiasm has been rewarding.

Claire Wilson (co-ordinator)

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING is being held at Croquet SA 24 November 10am. All clubs please ensure your delegate is in attendance or send proxy form which has been sent to secretaries & delegates. RSVP by20/11/15

ASSOCIATION CROQUET FLEURIEU PLATE

Coromandel Valley CC has initiated a new competition which will be played between Aldinga, Victor Harbor and Coromandel Valley croquet clubs.

The intent is to have a very social tournament in which four players will represent their club, one from each division. Each player will play a single in the morning and then the higher handicaps will pair to play a double and the lower handicap likewise. Clubs choose which day of the week they prefer to play at home and the four matches will be spread over the five summer months.

The intention is to get to know people in the other clubs and have a bit of fun at the same time.



Congratulations to all the participants and especially the medal winners in the Australian Masters Games. Taking part were visitors from Queensland, Western Australian and Tasmania and also South Australian regional clubs who enjoyed the competition and camaraderie.

Thank you to Neil White and the organising committee for their hard work and effort to make the event so successful. The weather played havoc with the match schedules and both players and organisers coped well with the rescheduling.

5 GAMES The breakfast on Sunday was a great success; also the BBQ following the medal presentations.

See page 4 for results.

CROQUET SA VACANCIES

AC Director AC Events Coordinator AC Committee Secretary ACA Magazine

AWARD NOMINATION

Adelaide City Council has nominated Hammer Time for an Australia Day Award for Community Event of the Year





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UPCOMING EVENTS 2015

NOVEMBER	
6, 13, 20	Hammer Time Norwood
13,20,27	Hammer Time—Hutt Road, Woodville
2-9	GC ACA National Handicap tournament, Deniliquin NSW
8-11	Aussie Croquet Mt Gambier CC doubles championship. Entry fee \$25. Entries close 28 October.
	Entries to Robert O'Neil 08 82755629 arjayo@optusnet.com.au
8	AC Victor Harbor gala 9.30am start Cost \$15 inc lunch Contact Beth Young 8552 2348 bethyoung@bigpond.com
9	GC Glenunga CC 9.30 for 10am Cost \$20 includes lunch Contact Tony Arthur 8388 6513 tony@afa.net.au
10-12	GC Spring singles 6+ Entry fee \$35 Entry by on-line form
14—22	AC ACA Open Doubles & Singles Championships
15	GC Victor Harbor Singles by the sea. All handicaps. Cost \$7, byo lunch. Contact Kate Logan—
	kate.logan@adam.com.au
16	GC West Lakes gala. Contact Mary Evans drandmeevans1@bigpond.com
22	GC Sunday singles 8+
23	GC Hyde Park Christmas Gala 9.30 for 10am start. Dress—Christmas theme. Cost \$20 inc. lunch.
	Contact Judy Barry 8379 2457 barry236@ozenmail.com.au
23	AC West Lakes gala. Handicap 14—20 9.30am start Cost \$15 inc lunch. Contact Connie 8248 6091
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27-29	GC ACA Australian Secondary School Children Championship, Maitland NSW Contact Barry Haydon
	president@hydeparkcroquetclub.com.au
30-5 Dec	GC ACA Trans Tasman, Nelson NZ

Hommer Time

Hammer Time Woodville

DECEMBER

4 12	Presentation Day at SACA Hutt Road. 11 am		
	CB Sharp Medal		
2016			
JANUARY			
3 –31	AC Millswood night tournament. Handicap Doubles Enter with a partner. 4 x 2.5 hr games (1 per week)		
	Cost \$30 pp. Contact Claire Wilson cmwilson@bigpond.com 8293 8168		
8—31	GC Millswood night tournament. Doubles with combined handicap of 12 or more. Contact Bill Lawson.		
	lawson@chariot.net.au 8271 2846		
4— 10	GC NZ Nationals, Waikato, NZ		
16—24	AC NZ Open Championships Wellington NZ		
FEBRUARY			
5—7	GC ACA President's Ten Cairnlea, Vic		
MARCH			
9—20	AC ACA Nationals—Gold Medal, Eire Cup, Mens & Womens Singles. Cairnlea Vic		
18	GC North Adelaide handicap singles. Contact Sue Huddy su7eh@hotmail.com		
APRIL			
16—24	AC WCF World Championship, National Croquet Centre, West Palm Beach, Florida, USA		

29 GC North Adelaide handicap singles. Contact Sue Huddy su7eh@hotmail.com

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7—15 GC Open Doubles and Singles Championship
12—16 AC Tumby Bay singles tournament

27 GC North Adelaide handicap singles. Contact Sue Huddy su7eh@hotmail.com

Reminder to players participating in club events & gala days

Please ensure you have your SACA registration card with you when attending these events so that the event coordinators can verify your membership, thank you.





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PROMOTION & DEVELOPMENT

Vale Broadview CC next year, I'm mighty sad that a club in an established middle class area has decided to close. Various offers of help from SACA and local clubs were declined. I believe the members have found the prospect too overwhelming! It's very very sad.

If your club is in a difficult situation, please contact SACA that's one of the reasons we are here, to help and support clubs. Only too happy to sit down and work out how to turn things around. It can be done.

Any club can grow, I've mentioned Moonta, Millicent and Holdfast Bay before and I've just heard that Crystal Brook has had a successful come and try with 12 participants - Well done. Fantastic.

What does it take? Firstly make a decision to change, <u>don't listen to the naysayers.</u> Review your situation. Set some goals. Ask for some help from Star club officers – SACA – local councils - other successful clubs etc And then start planning.

The evidence is there; clubs have grown despite all sorts of difficulties – politics – isolation – personalities etc.

I'm in the process of nutting out the details of a small grant for clubs with low membership (? 5- 10members) that want to grow, it's still in the development stage but I'm looking for expressions of interest. Please let me know if your club is interested.

Sally Harper

OFFICE OF RECREATION & SPORT Mentor Training

Saturday 7 November 9am—5pm www.ors.sa.gov.au/upcoming courses and events

CLUB ONE SMALL SPONSORSHIPS

These are considered every one to two months and announced regularly throughout the year. Small sponsorships are to a maximum of \$500 although in special circumstances can be as high ass \$600. Access Club One website for further information. www.clubone.net.au





Hello to you all from RPMallets.
That time of the year is almost upon us again! This year why not consider buying a new RPM croquet mallet for that special family member in your life? Order early to avoid the Christmas rush!!







This lovely set of solid brass ball markers, primary colours one side, secondary colour on reverse side make a great gift for a fellow club member. \$14.00 per set includes PP&H

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AUSTRALIAN MASTERS GAMES 2015 MEDALISTS

Congratulations to all players who competed in this event. Full results are below. There are more photos in the photo gallery on the website.

Golf Croquet

Open Singles Gold Medal **Howard Wood** 8/9 Silver Medal Michael Reidy 7/9 6/9 Bronze Medal Robert Brown 8+ Singles

Gold Medal Patricia McGaffin 7/7 Silver Medal David Gould 6/7

Bronze Medal Chris Tinkler 4/7 (on net points from Norma Greig)

Robyn Cornish/Ross Collard **Open Doubles** Gold Medal Silver Medal Pat Lawson/Howard Wood

> Bronze Medal Judy Stewart/Robert Brown

8+ Doubles Janice McKenna/Anthony Hughes- Owen Gold Medal

> Silver Medal Ken Davis/Chris Tinkler

Bronze Medal Caroline Chapman/Dianne Love

Association Croquet

Singles

Block C

Block A Gold Medal Heather Knight

Silver Medal Russell Kopp

Bronze MedalPhillip Bateman

Block B Gold Medal Jennifer Young

Silver Medal Lyn Booth

Bronze MedalMalcolm Kinch Gold Medal Derryl Sinclair

Silver Medal Linda Kinch

Bronze MedalLeanne Holden

Handicap Doubles

Block A Gold Medal Kaye Seeary/Keith Seeary

Silver Medal Heather Knight/Mark Goldsmith

Bronze MedalLyn Booth/Russell Kopp

Block B Gold Medal Jennifer Young/Derryl Sinclair

> Silver Medal Janet Willshire/Catherine Bawden Bronze MedalErica Young/Barbara Bartsch



















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REGISTRATION FEES for all Croquet SA players for 12 months 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2016 City \$93 County \$64 Students \$47 (18-25 with student card), Juniors under 18 as at 1/7/15 free Club affiliation fee—\$15 for clubs with less than 40 registered players: \$30 for clubs with more than 40 players

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